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GOHSEP Workshops to Help Local Governments with Federal Grant Process

Baton Rouge, LA (July 31, 2013) – The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) is hosting a series of workshops to help local authorities with the current federal Homeland Security (HLS) grant process. Concepts presented by GOHSEP during the workshops will be used to determine ongoing eligibility for federal HLS grant funds; milestones in the grant process will also be identified.

Workshops will discuss threat, hazards and risk data collection and assessments; preview a *Risk Survey* that is the first step in the risk assessment process; and include breakout group activities to help workshop participants put information received into practical exercises.

Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) directors, parish or municipal elected leaders and executive staffs, public works directors, sheriffs, police and fire chiefs, emergency medical services (EMS) managers, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) and other state regional coordinators, recipients of EMPG or State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grants, state agencies, private-industry stakeholders and other disaster preparedness and response professionals are strongly encouraged to attend.

Workshops will be held from 9:00a-3:00p. Registration begins at 8:00a.

Workshop locations:

Region 1,3,9 (Southeast Louisiana)

August 1
Slidell
Northshore Harbor Center

Region 6 (Central Louisiana)
August 7
Alexandria
State Emergency Shelter

Region 7,8 (North Louisiana)
August 8
Ruston
LA Tech Student Union

Region 2 (Capitol area)
August 14
Baton Rouge
C.B. Pennington, Jr. Building and Conference Center

Region 4,5 (Southwest Louisiana)
August 16
Crowley
LSU Ag Center (Acadia Parish)

In addition to supporting the efforts of local Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (OHSEP) directors, elected officials and their staffs, and federal grant applicants, GOHSEP provides information and assistance to help Louisiana citizens and communities prepare for, respond to, recover from and mitigate against natural and man-made hazards. To download the State's new *Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Guide*, please visit getagameplan.org or GOHSEP's website at www.gohsep.la.gov/.

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